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Serial No.: 10/651,077	)	Art Unit:	3753
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Title: "Weldring with Locking Arrangement for Valve Assembly"	) )		

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of May 9, 2005, Applicant proposes amending the above-captioned application as set forth below and respectfully requests consideration of the remarks that follow.

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